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THE NEW PARTY.

The new party is on the wing. It carries the best platform ever advocated by any party. It is the poor man's party as well as the people's party. Now is the time to throw down sectional strife and step into the lines of the Progressive party and raise up the principles of our forefathers. Which is the principles for suffering humanity, which our Lord and Saviour died on the cross for. In this party under its platform every man and woman are equal, and shall have equal rights. Strike now until the last enemy retreats. Strike for your wives, your children and your homes so sweet. Strike for Christ and His holy commands.

Candidates for the various State Offices will be named at St. Louis September 3. Instructions sent to Committeemen by Chairman L. A. Ellis.

The official call for the Progressive state convention in St. Louis September 3 and for the county conventions to select delegates to that convention was issued last night by L. A. Ellis, state chairman. The time for holding the county conventions is optional with the county organizations, though the call states they shall be held not later than August 31. The official call follows:

To all Progressive voters of Missouri who desire to co-operate with the Progressive party formed at the national convention held in Chicago August 5, 6 and 7, 1912:

A call is hereby issued for a state convention to be held in the city of St. Louis, Mo., September 3, 1912, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various state offices of Missouri to be voted for at the general election in November, 1912 and to nominate such other candidates and transact such other business as the convention may deem proper.

The county conventions to elect delegates to the said state convention will be held at such time and such place in the various counties and the delegates elected in such manner as the county committeemen may order, or, if there be no county committeemen, then at such time and place as the members of the Progressive party in the various counties, acting in conjunction with the state committee, may determine.

It is ordered, however, that such delegates be elected not later than Saturday, August 31, 1912.

Delegates to the state convention from the city of St. Louis will be selected in such manner as may be determined by the Progressive central committee of the city of St. Louis.

After the delegates are elected their names will be sent to Spearman Lewis, LaSalle Building, St. Louis, Mo., secretary of the state committee, duly attested by the chairman and secretary of the meetings which elected them, and by the county committeemen.

The basis of representation for each county in said state convention will be one delegate for each seven hundred votes, or major fraction thereof, cast for all candidates for governor at the general election in Missouri in 1908, which gives an apportionment of delegates to

Douglas

(Signed) L. A. ELLIS
Chairman Progressive state committee of Missouri.
August 12, 1912.

—We hope our Chairman of Douglas Co. will set an early date for County Convention.

LABOR LIKES THE PLATFORM.

THE STAND FOR FAIR WORKING CONDITIONS WINS UNION LEADERS.

Lifelong Republicans and Democrats See the Dawning of a New Era for Toilers in the Progress of the New Party.

Workingmen and labor leaders read the platform of the Progressive party yesterday and were jubilant over the prospects of better things. The old parties had failed to meet for them the requirements of the hour. The labor plank in the platform relating to means of ameliorating conditions of the toiler met with unanimous approval. Several widely known labor men expressed themselves as having deserted the old organizations and joined the Progressive party.

The platform of the Progressive party contains these words: "We believe that the issuance of injunctions in cases arising out of labor disputes should be prohibited when such injunctions would not apply when no labor disputes existed."

We pledge ourselves to work unceasingly in state and Nation for effective legislation looking to the prevention of industrial accidents, occupational diseases, overwork, involuntary unemployment and other injurious effects incident to modern industry.

OTHER WINNING FEATURES.

The 8-hour day in continuous 24-hour industries, the abolition of the convict labor system, one day's rest in seven and publicity as to wages, hours and conditions of labor full reports upon industrial accidents and diseases and the opening to public inspection of all tallies, weights, measures and check systems on labor products—the pledges to work for these meets with strong approval of those engaged in aiding the cause of labor.

"MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS."

Charles W. Wilkerson of Springfield Mo. representative of the International Moulders' Union of North America for Western Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska, said:

"The plank in the Progressive platform relating to labor comes nearer to meeting the requirements of the worker than any I have ever read."

John T. Smith, secretary and treasurer of the Missouri State Federation of Labor, and a Democrat said:

"The labor plank is great if platforms count for anything. Truly great."

E. J. Baker, formally International president of the leather workers said:

"The old parties have nothing to offer. I cannot see how any man can fail to support the Progressive party if he has the interests of himself and fellow man

at heart. The platform embodies every phase of the ideas as promulgated by the American Federation of Labor for improving industrial conditions. I have read every line of the platform and feel highly elated."

CHANGES HIS ATTITUDE.

Charles B. Nelson, secretary of the Industrial Council and a life long Republican, said:

"I always have been allied with the Republican party, but the platform of the Progressives changes my attitude. I must admit that this is the greatest document in favor of the rule of the people I have read. I always have been interested in the cause of labor and I can see a new era dawning in America for the man who must toil for a livelihood. The labor plank in the platform meets the requirements and demonstrates to the workingmen in general that there must and will be a change for the better."

E. W. Weeks, 1210 Garfield Avenue, national secretary of the Brotherhood of American Carmen heartily approves of the platform.

The things that Colonel Roosevelt pledges himself to accomplish through the medium of the platform of the Progressive party," said Mr. Weeks last night. "are exactly what labor leaders have been asking for the past twenty years. The provisions for maintaining a decent standard of living for the laboring population by minimum wage standards uniform 8-hour laws and abolition of child labor will do a great deal toward easing the present condition of labor unrest."

ON THE KANSAS SIDE TOO.

Organized labor leaders on the Kansas side, too, are pleased with the labor plank of the Progressive Party. James A. Cable, city commissioner, who was formerly secretary of the Coopers Union and William Deal present secretary both commended the stand taken in Chicago.

"Everything they declare for should be enacted into a law and should have been enacted years ago," Mr. Deal said.

"The plank is one of the best ever written by a party," Mr. Cable said, of the new party's declaration along such lines.

Chief among the industrial problems touched upon by Colonel Roosevelt were: Industrial insurance to meet the risk of sickness, accident and dependent old age; a minimum wage scale to be fixed by industrial commis-

sions after investigation of the amount of labor performed, living conditions, health, recreation and education; publicity of wage scales; publicity of profits; strict regulation of labor for women; prohibition of child labor, and the regulation of industrial employment to conserve health, energy and skill.

E. T. Brigham of the Helping Hand Institute said:

"Colonel Roosevelt's fine ideas on social welfare as a national problem will strike a responsive chord in the breast of every social worker. Truly social problems are national. No community can solve them because they reach beyond the confines of any one locality. All we can do locally is to save a little salvage from the wrecks."

Jacob Billikopf said: "While all of us may not agree altogether politically with Colonel Roosevelt, it must be said that the feature of his address relating to correcting social problems through national legislation is one of the greatest contributions to the subject of social service on record."

He appears to grasp the very fundamental problems so present to every center and the corrective program he outlines is just what social workers have been striving for years."

L. A. Halbert, superintendent of the board of public welfare, said: "Colonel Roosevelt's discussion of social problems and their correction tallies with the best thought of the day among social workers. It is a wonderfully well chosen consensus of opinion."

To my mind the best point he makes is the necessity for publicity of wages and profits. Figures absolutely necessary to working out a scientific solution of industrial problems are now

locked in the vaults of the employers. Co-operation is the watchword of the future, not competition."

PLATFORM APPEALS TO ALL

Voters flock to Progressive Headquarters to enroll in the New Party.

Voters who have been waiting to see the Progressive platform before enrolling in the new party began visiting the Progressive headquarters in the Midland Building yesterday.

"It was the biggest day's enrollment since the movement first started," said A. E. Perkins, assistant secretary of the state and county committee. "Fully two-thirds of the newcomers are laboring men. They say the platform regarding labor problems is ideal. Many workingmen carried petitions away with them and declared they could enroll nine out of ten men from labor's ranks. Practically every man who signed the roll today said something about the new party's platform or the Roosevelt speech. Business men said it suited them, laboring men said it suited them. Among the signers were several men who are interested in social welfare societies."

Among the visitors to local headquarters yesterday was G. W. Jones, depot agent at Braymer Mo. Mr. Jones said the Progressive movement practically had absorbed the two old parties at Braymer. At the primaries there Tuesday the total vote of all parties was only 112. Ordinarily the primary vote is between six hundred and seven hundred.

—The Kansas City Times.

THE THREE LINKS

Tune—My Home Above.

1. We love to sing of the golden Link,
Of Friendship Love and Truth;
Which binds our hearts in one phalanx,
While standing under this booth.

Chorus.

A love, a joy, in F. L. and T.
Oh, say come and join us here.
This fraternal band where all is peace
There is nothing in earth to compare.

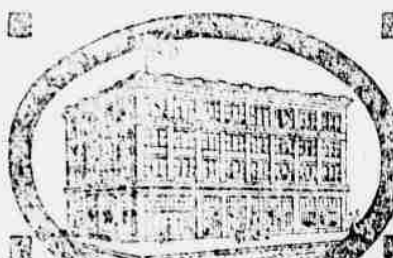
2. We love to think of Missouri State,
With her sweet and healthful clime;
With her people true and her crops so great,
With Odd Fellowship sublime.

Chorus.

3. Sweetest of all is to think of him,
Who did sit as the first Noble Grand
Christ who came to this sinful world of ours,
Who organized this band.

CHORUS.

Composed by Rev. L. S. Garrett.



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